

# INDIANA SIRES STAKES

## General Conditions for 2012 Indiana Sires Stakes (Aged Division)

**Sponsor:** Indiana Standardbred Advisory Board (Board)

**For:** Foals of 2008 and prior to 2008 sired by stallions registered in the Indiana Stallion Registry the year the foals were conceived.

**To be Raced As:** An elimination (if necessary) and a final for Aged Horses (four years old & older) in 2012.

**To be Raced At:** Hoosier Park and/or Indiana Downs.

**Payments: (U.S. Funds)**      Nomination  
March 15, 2012.....\$500.00

*Please Note: There will not be an entry fee required for any elimination or final.*

**Declaration:** Starters are to declare in at the regular time practiced at the host track. All declarations are subject to Indiana Horse Racing Commission Rules.

The following time requirements must have been met at the time of declaration:

	Hoosier Park	Indiana Downs
Pace.....	1:59.....	1:58
Trot.....	2:03.....	2:02

An allowance of two (2) seconds will be allowed for pari-mutuel tracks that are less than 7/8<sup>th</sup> of a mile. An allowance of three (3) seconds will be allowed for any fair half-mile track, *no additional allowances will be given, unless given by the Judges at the ISS host track.*

**Entry Fee:** None

**Money Division:** Purses for races will be divided 50-25-12-8-5 percent.

**Race Conditions:** Each event is to be raced one (1) heat at one (1) mile each.

Eliminations will only be raced in the event more than ten (10) horses enter to race.

The eliminations will be raced in divisions if more than twelve (12) horses enter to race. If more than twelve (12) but twenty-four (24) or fewer horses are declared to start, two (2) divisions of eliminations will be held.

Eliminations, if necessary, will be held at least one week prior to the final.

All horses entered into the elimination will be eligible to enter for the final.

Of those that have entered to race in the Final, the top ten (10) finishers in the official order of finish in the elimination races will be selected as starters. When two or more horses are tied for tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) place, horses from those tied will be drawn by lot to fill the race.

Please note that all horses eligible for the final must enter for the final according to the draw schedule at the Host track. Having entered in the elimination race(s) does not automatically enter the horse for the final.

All finals will be raced, regardless of the number of horses entered.

If after scratch time, a horse drawn into race at an Indiana Pari-mutuel track participates in any other race, that horse shall be scratched. *Indiana Horse Racing Commission; 71 IAC 7-1-36 (d)*

Post positions for all races, including the final, will be determined by an open draw.

In addition, two horses will be selected from those in the eliminations that entered for the final but were not selected for the final to be designated "Also Eligible" ("AE") for each final. These "Also Eligibles" will replace any other horse(s) scratched prior to scratch time from the final for any reason. The preference to determine which is the first "Also Eligible" shall be determined by taking the horse that placed highest in the official order of finish of all elimination divisions, but was not selected for the final; in the event horses are equal in the finish position, final preference will be drawn by lot. The other horse will be the second "Also Eligible" ("AE2").

**Purses:**

The purse for the elimination will be paid from the Host Track purse account. Eliminations, if raced, will race for the advertised purse regardless of the number of divisions.

If there are ten (10) or fewer horses entered to race in the elimination, the elimination will not be raced and all horses will be eligible to enter to race in the final. In the event the elimination is not raced, the host track will add the purse money allocated for the elimination to the final.

Purses for eliminations with eleven (11) or more starters will be increased by twenty percent (20%). *(To be paid by the Standardbred Breed Development Fund)*

In eliminations with a field of eleven (11) or more starters, the sixth place finisher will receive three percent (3%) and the seventh place finisher will receive two percent (2%) of the purse. *(To be paid by the Standardbred Breed Development Fund)*.

**Emergency:**

If for any reason, including but not limited to, weather, it becomes impossible to race any of the events at the Host Track, it is at the discretion of the Indiana Standardbred Advisory Board (Board) to contest any of these races at a different time and place so designated by the Board. The Board reserves the right to call off the event, and return to the entrants their pro-rate share of the accumulated horsemen portion of the purse, after deducting the clerical and administrative expenses allowed in these conditions. All entrants must abide by this change or forfeit their right to participate in these races or race for any part of the purse. In all circumstances, the Board will make the final decision.

**Gait:**

Horses changing gait may be transferred to their adopted gait, but payments made prior to that time will not be transferred.

**Rules:**

Rules of the Indiana Horse Racing Commission shall govern unless otherwise specified in these conditions. Any issue not covered by these conditions or Indiana Horse Racing Commission Rules will be subject to interpretation at the discretion of the host track.

**Nominations payable and mailed to:**

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